

Commissioners *NH 2-8-12* approve road, sewer projects

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County improvements are under way after Lake County commissioners approved several resolutions at Tuesday's meeting.

The county will seek bids for improvement work on Bacon and Blackbrook roads in Painesville Township that will cost an estimated \$610,000 to \$670,000.

The work includes excavation, pavement planning, engineering fabric, pavement resurfacing with bituminous concrete and related work, according to the resolution.

Bids will be accepted until Feb. 29, and the successful bidder will be required to start work within 10 days of selection in order to complete the project by the anticipated date of May 25.

Commissioners also approved entering into an agreement with AECOM Technical Services Inc. for the Heatherstone Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project.

AECOM, which is based in Los Angeles but has a Cleveland office, will analyze multiple areas within Painesville Township to develop a plan to alleviate flooding. The project will examine sanitary sewersheds in the Crestwood, Canyon Ridge, Bowhall, Eastern Woodlands, Cedar Glen, Nelmar, Heatherstone and Riverside areas. The areas are referred to collectively as the Heatherstone System.

Currently, homes in these areas flood with as little as a quarter-inch of rain, according to the resolution. Five pump stations serve the Heatherstone System and are functioning correctly but allow too much water flow during wet weather events.

The county will pay \$28,320 for AECOM's services, which will provide a detailed report and include expectations of cost for physical improvements, Sanitary Engineer Albert J. Saari said.

AECOM will begin work as soon as it receives the contract, and complete the project completed within 150 days, Saari said.